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In re application of  
Paul A. LaViolette  
Serial No. 10/633,437  
Filed: August 4, 2003  
For: ADVECTIVE SOLAR COLLECTOR FOR USE IN  
MULTI-EFFECT FLUID DISTILLATION AND  
POWER CO-GENERATION

DECISION ON  
PETITION

This is a decision on the petition filed August 4, 2003 requesting that the above-identified application be granted Special Status under section 708.02(VI) of the MPEP and 37 CFR 1.102(c) – no fee required.

The request for Special Status is granted because the criteria set forth in MPEP 708.02(VI) and 37 CFR 1.102(c) has been met.

The petition is GRANTED.

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